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assumption transaction) of a federally-chartered interim institution and an insured institution, even if the resulting institution is to operate under the charter of the federal interim institution.

- (3) Deposit insurance fund conversions. Procedures for conversion transactions involving the transfer of deposits from BIF to SAIF or from SAIF to BIF are set forth in subpart M of this part at §303.246.
- (4) Branch closings. Branch closings in connection with a merger transaction are subject to the notice requirements of section 42 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. 1831r-1), including requirements for notice to customers. These requirements are addressed in the "Interagency Policy Statement Concerning Branch Closings Notices and Policies" (2 FDIC Law, Regulations, Related Acts (FDIC) 5391).
- (5) Undercapitalized institutions. Applications for a merger transaction by applicants subject to section 38 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. 18310) should also provide the information required by \$303.204. Applications pursuant to sections 38 and 18(c) of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C, 18310 and 1828(c)) may be filed concurrently or as a single application.
- (6) Certification of assumption of deposit liability. An insured depository institution assuming deposit liabilities of another insured institution must provide certification of assumption of deposit liability to the FDIC in accordance with 12 CFR part 307.

§ 303.63 Filing procedures.

- (a) General. Applications required under this subpart shall be filed with the appropriate regional director (DOS). The appropriate forms and instructions may be obtained upon request from any DOS regional office.
- (b) Merger transactions. Applications for approval of merger transactions shall be accompanied by copies of all agreements or proposed agreements relating to the merger transaction and any other information requested by the FDIC.
- (c) Interim merger transactions. Applications for approval of interim merger transactions and any related deposit insurance applications shall be made by filing the forms and other docu-

- ments required by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section and such other information as may be required by the FDIC for consideration of the request for deposit insurance.
- (d) Optional conversions. If the proposed merger transaction is an optional conversion, the merger application shall include a statement that the proposed merger transaction is a transaction covered by section 5(d)(3) of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. 1815(d)(3)).

§ 303.64 Processing.

- (a) Expedited processing for eligible depository institutions—(1) General. An application filed under this subpart by an eligible depository institution as defined in §303.2(r) and which meets the additional criteria in paragraph (a)(4) of this section will be acknowledged by the FDIC in writing and will receive expedited processing, unless the applicant is notified in writing to the contrary and provided with the basis for that decision. The FDIC may remove an application from expedited processing for any of the reasons set forth in §303.11(c)(2).
- (2) Under expedited processing, the FDIC will take action on an application by the date that is the latest of:
- (i) 45 days after the date of the FDIC's receipt of a substantially complete merger application; or
- (ii) 10 days after the date of the last notice publication required under \$303.65; or
- (iii) 5 days after receipt of the Attorney General's report on the competitive factors involved in the proposed transaction; or
- (iv) For an interstate merger transaction subject to the provisions of section 44 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. 1831u), 5 days after the FDIC receives confirmation from the host state (as defined in §303.41(e)) that the applicant has both complied with the filing requirements of the host state and submitted a copy of the FDIC merger application to the host state's bank supervisor.
- (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (a)(1) of this section, if the FDIC does not act within the expedited processing period, it does not constitute an automatic or default approval.